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### HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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Present Owner:

W. R. Clark, Milford Plantation.

Present Occupant:

W. R. Clark.

Present Use:

Accessory to part-time residence.

Statement of Significance:

An integral part of one of the outstanding antebellum

plantations of South Carolina.

## PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History:

1. Original and subsequent owners (chain of title): John Lawrence Manning.

2. Date of erection: c. 1850.

### PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

This gateway consists of four stucco (on brick) piers, the central opening being 11'-3" wide and the two side openings each 5'-4". The piers are composed along a straight line; each is 2'-5" square at the base, and about seven feet high. They taper, and are crowned by a cavetto moulding (Egyptian gorge) and low plinth.

Each opening is provided with a pair of iron gates; the design is simple, consisting of pickets, top and bottom rails, and diagonal brace. They are of wrought iron, except for cast-iron finials on the pickets.

This gateway is located northeast of the plantation house, and a short distance northeast of the Porter's Lodge (HABS No. SC-358), where the old driveway reaches a dirt road. They face northeast. The gates are in good condition but appear to be little used now; the approach to the plantation buildings is now from the southeast.

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# PART III. PROJECT INFORMATION

These records are part of a co-operative photo-data project undertaken by the Historic American Buildings Survey and Mr. Harold Cooledge of the faculty of the School of Architecture, Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina. The project was originally arranged by Supervisory Architect Historic Structures, Charles E. Peterson in 1959; HABS architectural historian John C. Poppeliers did much of the preliminary research for architectural and historical writeups in March of 1963; the written documentation was completed by Professor Harley J. McKee of Syracuse University, in 1967. Photographs of the buildings were taken in 1960 by Mr. Jack E. Boucher.

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